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C O N F I D E N T I A L QUITO 0611

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR EFIS PLOS MILI
SUBJ: FISHING BOAT INCIDENT

REF: (A) STATE 15622 (B) QUITO 0508

1. THE EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THE DEPARTMENT'S REASONING IN REFTEL (A). THE INCIDENT NOW APPEARS TO HAVE BLOWN OVER. WE WOULD, HOWEVER, NOTE THE FOLLOWING.

(A) THE AMBASSADOR SPOKE DIRECTLY TO AUGIE FELOANDO IN SAN DIEGO LAST WEEK IN AN ATTEMPT TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER THE ATA HAD EVER MADE CONTACT WITH THE CINDY ANN. FELANDO SAID HE HAD NOT. SUBSEQUENTLY FELANDO CALLED BACK TO SAY HE HAD SPOKEN TO THE SKIPPER OF THE CINDY ANN WHO REPORTED THAT THE BOAT THAT CHASED HIM HAD HAD NO MARKINGS AND THAT HE HAD ONLY ASSUMED IT WAS AN ECUADOREAN PATROL CRAFT. THERE WAS NO SHOOTING.

(B) IN ADDITION TO THE CONVERSATION WITH ADMIRAL OLMEDO REPORTED IN REFTEL (B), THE PRESIDENT, ADMIRAL POVEDA, ON JANUARY 25 COMPLAINED TO THE AMBASSADOR ABOUT THE NEWS STORY AND SAID THAT THERE WAS NO WAY THAT ANY ECUADOREAN
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PATROL BOAT COULD HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE INCIDENT.

2. IT APPEARS THAT THE STATEMENTS MADE BY A SPOKESMAN FOR THA ATA, AS REPORTED IN THE JANUARY 14 AP STORY FROM SAN DIEGO, WERE BASED ON IMCOMPLETE INFORMATION AND THEREFORE WERE MISLEADING. IN HIS CONVERSATION WITH FELANDO, AMBASSADOR EMPHASIZED DESIRABILITY OF WAITING UNTIL ALL THE FACTS WERE IN BEFORE

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COMMENTING ON SUCH REPORTS IN FUTURE. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE
IT IF DEPARTMENT OFFICERS WOULD DO THE SAME NEXT TIME THEY
ARE TALKING TO FELANDO.
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